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## **AMENDMENT**

This paper is in response to the Office Action dated August 14, 2007 (Paper No. 20070811, hereinafter referred to as "the Office Action"), in the above-referenced application. This response is being timely filed on or before the expiration of the shortened statutory period for response, which is set to expire on November 14, 2007.

Amendments to and Listing of the claims begin on page 2 of this response.

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Applicants respectfully request reconsideration by the Examiner in view of the following.